

# Only in New England

8 Days/7 Nights, September 28 - October 5, 2021

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## Tour Highlights

- Roundtrip Airfare from MSP
- Motorcoach Transportation & Transfers
- 7 Nights Accommodations
- 7 Breakfasts/4 Lunches/5 Dinners
- Vanderbilt's The Breakers Mansion
- Mystic Seaport
- Billings Farm & Museum
- King Arthur Baking Company
- Rock of Ages Quarry
- Von Trapp Family Lodge in Stowe, VT
- Cold Hollow Cider Mill
- Goodrich's Maple Syrup Farm
- Mount Washington Cog Railway
- Maine Mineral & Gem Museum
- Old Fort Western
- Sea Princess Scenic Nature Cruise
- Shopping in Bar Harbor
- New England Lobster Bake
- Lobster Boat Tour
- Earn 350 PTS Perks points on this tour!



### DAY 1

#### WE'RE OFF!

We board our flight to beautiful New England and transfer to Foxwoods in Connecticut for our next two nights.

and outdoor exhibits, with more than 1 million artifacts, that provide a fascinating look at the area's rich shipbuilding and seafaring heritage. We return to Foxwoods for the evening.

### DAY 2 THE BREAKERS & MYSTIC

This morning, we travel a short distance to Newport, Rhode Island, where we tour the famous Vanderbilt Mansion, *The Breakers*. It was built as the Newport summer home of Cornelius Vanderbilt II. This 125,339 square foot mansion was built in an Italian Renaissance style. Our afternoon is spent visiting Mystic Seaport. The world's largest maritime museum, Mystic Seaport encompasses 37 acres of indoor

### DAY 3 ON TO VERMONT

Rise and shine—we're headed to Vermont! Our lunch & tour stop is at the Billings Farm & Museum in Woodstock, Vermont. Billings Farm is regarded as one of the finest outdoor history museums in the country. Combining a fully-operating Jersey dairy farm with educational exhibits and interactive programs and events, Billings Farm & Museum is committed to providing education and enjoyment to visitors



of all ages. At King Arthur Baking Company, watch as bakers create beautiful breads and pastries in the bakery. Spend time browsing their store for all your baking essentials and gifts, and sample delicious treats in their retail store kitchen, including local jams and maple syrup. Our overnight is at the cozy Lake Morey Resort.



### DAY 4 VON TRAPP FAMILY

Good morning! We're off to Stowe, home of the Von Trapp family of *The Sound of Music* fame. Enjoy a historical tour of the Trapp Family Lodge and get the real story of the Von Trapp family. We will also visit Cold Hollow Cider Mill to see how this magical juice is made! Later we head to the Rock of Ages Granite Quarry to see how Vermont's state stone is quarried. We'll take a tour with a knowledgeable guide to a spot overlooking one of their quarries where you can watch miners removing slabs of granite. You can also observe granite carvers making monuments, like gravestones and other constructions. We overnight in Waterbury, Vermont.

### DAY 5 MAPLE SYRUP & MOUNTAINS

This morning, we're off to Cabot for a visit to Goodrich's Maple Syrup Farm to sample the delicious maple syrup made by the Vermont natives. One of the family members will explain the entire process of making maple syrup. Later this afternoon, we ride up Mount Washington on the world's first mountain-climbing cog railway. The railway remains, as it has for well over a century, an exciting and unforgettable experience! The ever-changing surroundings, the magnificent views and some of the steepest railway tracks in existence combine to place it among the best of the world's great railway journeys. We then travel across the White Mountains of New Hampshire to Gorham, NH for the evening.



### DAY 6 MAINE MARVELS

Today we learn about the special minerals and gems that are mined in this neck of the Maine woods! The Maine Mineral & Gem Museum houses the finest collection of Maine minerals and gems. They display one of the world's foremost collections of extraterrestrial rocks—meteorites from Mars, the Moon and the Asteroid Belt that teach us about the origins of our Solar System, including the five largest pieces of the Moon on Earth!! After lunch, we visit Old Fort Western in Augusta, Maine. Built in 1754 during the French and Indian War, the fort is America's oldest wooden French & Indian War era garrison in North America dedicated to preserving and protecting 300 years of Maine and New England history. Its main building, the only original element of the fort to survive, was restored in 1920 and now depicts its original use as a trading post. After our visit, we travel to Bangor for our last two nights.

### DAY 7 BAR HARBOR

Today is a special day as we visit one of the most popular resort towns in Maine—Bar Harbor. We'll board the Sea Princess for our three hour tour of Acadia by sea! Experience superb views of Bear Island Lighthouse, nesting osprey and basking harbor seals framed by Acadia's dramatic mountains comprise the first portion of the cruise. We'll stop at the 200-year-old lobster fishing village of Little Cranberry Island allowing you to explore an unspoiled offshore island community reminiscent of days gone by. Then we cruise deep into Somes Sound Fjord for a spectacular view of the vertical Eagle Cliffs rising directly from the sea. After our ride, you'll have time to explore Bar Harbor, grab a bite to eat & shop 'til you drop. Tonight, you're in for a special treat as we have an authentic New England lobster bake! Be there with your appetite and camera when the covers are lifted and reveal a colorful blend of lobsters, mussels, corn on the cob and red potatoes amidst a cloud of steam.

### DAY 8 LOBSTERS GALORE

After breakfast, we head towards Boston for our flight home. But before that, we'll stop in Ogunquit, Maine where you'll experience what it is like to run a Lobster boat. You'll bid farewell to new friends as you transfer to the airport for your flight home. We then fly home and transfer back to Brainerd with memories of lobsters, fall foliage and fun!



### Price per Person

DBL	(2 to a room).....	\$2,899.00
TPL	(3 to a room).....	\$2,799.00
QUAD	(4 to a room).....	\$2,699.00
SGL	(1 to a room).....	\$3,499.00

### NOT INCLUDED:

Some meals, hotel incidentals, driver & tour director gratuities, airline baggage fees, travel protection plan.

Note: These prices may be subject to a fuel surcharge.

**Activity Level: 2**